



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
2 NAVY ANNEX
WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

TRG
Docket No: 7386-99
24 February 2000

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Dear [REDACTED]

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of title 10 of the United States Code section 1552.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 23 February 2000. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

The Board found that you enlisted in the Marine Corps on 8 September 1987 at age 18. The record shows that you were counseled on nine occasions concerning multiple instances of alcohol abuse, writing bad checks, immaturity, lack of judgment and not being recommended for promotion. On 1 March 1991 you received nonjudicial punishment for disobedience. The punishment included a reduction in rank from LCPL (E-3) to PFC (E-2). You were released from active duty on 28 August 1991 with your service characterized as honorable. At that time you were not recommended for reenlistment and were assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code.

The Board found that your multiple counseling entries and the nonjudicial punishment were sufficient to support a decision not to recommend you for reenlistment. The Board concluded that the RE-4 reenlistment code was properly assigned and no change is warranted. Accordingly, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the

Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

W. DEAN PFEIFFER
Executive Director